IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE THE TOTAL STATES In re Application of Group Art Unit: 1651 Atsushi SUGIYAMA Examiner: S.E. Saucier Patent Application No. 09/926,138 Filed: September 10, 2001 **ENZYMATIC FLUORIMETRIC ASSAY** For: OF cAMP AND ADENYLATE CYCLASE)

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RESPONSE TO ONE-MONTH ACTION

Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the one-month action of March 11, 2003.

Restriction was required to one of Group I (Claim 1), Group II (Claims 2-9), Group III (Claims 10-20), Group IV (Claim 21) and Group V (Claim 22).

ELECTION:

The undersigned provisionally elects Group I (Claim 1), with traverse.

Traverse is on the basis that all of the groups should require the same area of search. Thus the groups do not have independent classification and the independent requirement of 35 U.S.C. 121 is not met. Withdrawal of the restriction requirement and examination of all claims is requested.

It is noted that if Claim 1 is found patentable over prior art, then Claims 2-9 are also patentable over prior art.

Respectfully submitted,

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